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slaves and 5 servants); FB, £1,359.8.11. LAND: 3.096 acres.

BIGGS, SETH (?-1708). BORN: probably in Bristol, England. IMMIGRATED: in 1680 as a free adult from Bristol. RESIDED: briefly in Calvert County before moving to Anne Arundel County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. SISTER: Sarah, who married William Webb. MARRIED Mary, who subsequently married by 1710 Dr. William Lock. PRIVATE CAREER, ED-UCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: arrived with capital and mercantile connections. OCCUPA-TIONAL PROFILE: merchant of Bristol, 1679; merchant in Maryland, probably in partnership with William Holland (?-1732) and others. PUBLIC CAREER. PROVINCIAL OFFICES: justice, Provincial Court, 1702-1704, 1705-1706; Council, 1708. LO-CAL OFFICES: justice, Anne Arundel County, 1694-1702; St. James' Parish Vestry, Anne Arundel County, 1695-1708; deputy commissary, Anne Arundel County, 1697. WEALTH DURING LIFE-TIME, PERSONAL PROPERTY: owned the ship Providence Galley, 1708. LAND: 2,500-3,000 acres, by 1708. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: buried on August 2, 1708. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £1,481.4.3 sterling (including 21 slaves and 2 servants); much of his estate was in the hands of Isaac Milner, a London merchant. LAND: 2,500-3,000 acres.

BILLINGSLEY, FRANCIS (?-1695). IMMI-GRATED: in 1652 as a free adult with his wife and son. RESIDED: in Calvert County. FAMILY BACK-GROUND. BROTHER: Thomas (?-1674); probably John (?-by 1659), a major. MARRIED Susannah. CHILDREN. SONS: James (?-by 1664/65), who married Susannah, daughter of Richard Ewen (?-1660); John (?-by 1695). DAUGHTER: Rebecca (1677-?), who married in 1690 Abraham Birkhead. PRIVATE CAREER, EDUCATION: literate. RELI-GIOUS AFFILIATION: Quaker. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: no title on arrival in the colony; acquired a servant in 1653 and another in 1657. OC-CUPATIONAL PROFILE: planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Calvert County, 1678-1682 (elected to the 2nd session). LOCAL OFFICE: constable, Clifts, Calvert County, 1654. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: active in the effort by the Quakers to receive a dispensation from taking legally required oaths in the 1670s and the 1680s. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 1,250 acres. WEALTH AT DEATH, DIED: on August 10, 1695. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £139.13.10 sterling (including an unspecified number of Negroes and servants). LAND: 1,250 acres.

BIRCKHEAD (BIRKHEAD, BURKHEAD. BURKETT, BRICKHEAD), CHRISTOPHER (by 1740-1788). BORN: between 1730 and 1740 in Talbot County. NATIVE: fourth generation. RE-SIDED: in Talbot County; Third District, Talbot County, 1783. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Christopher Birckhead (?-by 1740), MOTHER: Ann (?-1758), daughter of William Harrison (?-1719), of Talbot County, a planter. STEPFATHERS: Samuel Sharp (1713/14-1748); William Brooke (?-1754/55); and Daniel Powell. BROTHER: Solomon (?-ca. 1753). HALF BROTHERS: Peter Sharp (1746-1768), who married Hannah; William Harrison Brooke (?-1771). SISTERS: Ann (1730-by 1768), who married William Troth, Jr.; Rachel (by 1740-1818), who married first, Philip McManus, and second, in 1765 Pollard Edmondson (ca. 1718-1794). MARRIED his stepniece, either Lucretia, Mary, or Ann, one of three daughters of Pollard Edmondson (ca. 1718-1794); stepdaughter of Rachel Birckhead McManus (by 1740-1818); granddaughter of John Edmondson (1692-1743); niece of Ann Dickinson (?-ca. 1774), who married Samuel Bowman (?-1768). Her brothers were James (?-ca. 1774), who married Rachel Leeds Bozman: Pollard. Her first cousins were Philip Walker (?-1791); Elizabeth Walker (?-1783), who married Henry Dickinson (?-1789); Ann Walker Mein Hindman (?-by 1787), who married third, Henry Dickinson (?-1789). MARRIED second, Henrietta (?-1791), daughter of (first name unknown) Trippe. Her brother was Capt. William Trippe. CHILDREN, SONS: Solomon, of Cambridge, Dorchester County, a physician; Christopher (?-1799); James (?-ca. 1800); John Trippe (?-1796); William (ca. 1775-?); Levin; Edward; and Henry. DAUGH-TER: Ann (?-1791), never married. PRIVATE CA-REER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIA-TION: Anglican; his parents were Quakers. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Gent., 1758. OCCUPA-TIONAL PROFILE: planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGIS-LATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Talbot County, 1779-1780. LOCAL OFFICES: churchwarden, St. Peter's Parish, Talbot County, elected 1766; county lieutenant, Talbot County, appointed 1777; justice, Talbot County, 1777-1779 (did not qualify); justice, Orphans' Court, Talbot County, appointed 1777; St. Peter's Parish Vestry, Talbot County, elected 1779. JURY SERVICE: grand jury, Talbot County, 1765. MILITARY SERVICE: colonel, Fourth Battalion, Talbot County Militia, 1776. STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: manumitted